

EAST LINE EXTENSION; BALL GETS WISE VOTE

Both McKinney and Decatur are alive to the importance of the east line extension, and can be counted on to do anything necessary to secure its early construction. Decatur some time ago arranged for a committee to join with a committee from Denton and McKinney to confer with the railroad officials at Dallas, and McKinney will appoint one soon. Denton has not yet appointed a committee, but will do so in time. Denton needs the east line; its importance to us will be at least equal, we think, to either of the interurbans. And, in the end, if our hopes are well-founded, it will be putting Denton on a main line to the northwest, be of even greater importance to the town than either interurban.—Denton Record-Chronicle.

The Messenger is in receipt of the following letter from Secretary Garrison of the McKinney chamber of commerce:

"Replying to your esteemed favor will say, that I had already written to Secretary Roark of Denton in reference to the matter, and asked permission to have a committee from our organization present for any meeting held for the purpose of urging the extension of the east line. To this end I will see that a strong committee is appointed at once, and we will bid ourselves in readiness to meet like committees from Denton, Decatur, Bridgeport and Greenville at any time. Make your date of meeting convenient for yourselves, and if it is not a 'First Monday,' I will guarantee to have a representation from this organization at the meeting. We are as much in earnest about wanting this line extended as you can possibly be, and we want to add our mite of strength to the concerted effort to secure it. Let us work up an enthusiasm all along the proposed route, get expressions from the strongest men from even the smaller towns, and go to that meeting prepared to bring the strongest influences to bear. We must sit up and

correspondence with an organization that seems anxious to get west from McKinney, and ultimately on to the Santa Fe at the Katy seems unwilling to extend, we might in opposition with the other build an independent line more than likely be aided by the Santa Fe, give that road another chance to its passengers. But let us first see what it intends to do—in other words, will give them the chance to turn it down, or are we to have a line that will be both to us and to them, go into this other proposition. The promoters may start the work within sixty days. Contract has been consum-

ing you for your letter and intention to participate in the campaign, and assure that we will be there strong. Very truly yours,
VERNON GARRISON,
Chamber of Commerce."

Ball of Houston, was the Wise county prohibition convention in Decatur Friday, and the Wise county will go to Fort Worth to instruct for the Houston

was well attended by delegates from all parts of the county, voting boxes being distributed. Dr. P. C.

of Council of Alameda, was elected president of Decatur, M. of Boyd, M. of Harvey, M. of Decatur, M. of Best of report, M. of select

delegates from Wise county to the state prohibition meeting, which convenes in Fort Worth tomorrow, Saturday, to select a candidate for governor.

While the committee was working, stirring talks were made on the present political issues and the present prohibition situation by R. E. Carswell, French Spencer, C. V. Terrell, Alf Fullingim, H. H. Halsell, L. D. Ratliff and T. J. McMurray. These speakers were all hopeful of the present situation and expressed the belief that unity would characterize the present movement of prohibitionists in the selection of a standard bearer, and that a really big man would be selected at the Fort Worth meeting as a candidate for governor.

T. J. McMurray moved that Wise county delegation go instructed for Tom Ball. Hawkins of Chico moved an amendment, offering the name of W. P. Lane for endorsement. The vote by precincts, with votes allowed each precinct, was as follows: North Decatur, 22 for Ball; South Decatur, 36 for Ball; Greenwood, 16 for Ball; Alvord, 21 for Ball; Chico, 20 Lane; Bridgeport, 22 for Lane; Prairie Point, 4 for Lane; Willow Point, 4 for Lane; Cottondale, 4 for Ball; Rhome, 9 for Ball; Boyd, 12 for Ball. Total vote: Ball 120, Lane 60. W. E. Green of Bridgeport, moved to make the vote unanimous, which carried. Motion carried that delegates to Fort Worth vote as a unit.

T. J. McMurray was elected county chairman of the prohibition movement until the July primaries.

Wise county will have 268 votes in the state meeting at Fort Worth, and a long list of delegates selected from each voting box, will attend. Following is the list of delegates from Decatur:

J. L. Ward, R. E. Carswell, L. L. Hoyl, C. B. Carter, A. J. Mann, French Spencer, S. G. Christal, Add Renshaw, Lee Starnes, Tom St. Clair, John Boyd, Walter Boyd, W. S. Donoho, H. L. Ward, H. D. Heath, S. M. Gose, Dr. P. J. Fullingim, M. B. Smith, Glenn Russell, J. M. Scott, Sam McGaughey, J. L. Gettys, Dave Hoyl, Ellis Plaxco, W. M. Hughes, Jim Hornback, W. H. Chambers, H. H. Trussell, Tom Gentry, W. P. Thurmond, J. W. Bailey, L. W. Tyler, Dr. John Embry, W. C. Carver, Will Helm, S. Hoyl, Bill Gilbert, John Gose, Tom McMurray, C. B. Gunn, M. A. Arnett, Guinn Williams, H. H. Halsell, John Wallace, W. H. Bullock, C. V. Terrell, L. D. Ratliff, A. B. Fullingim, W. L. Rush, R. L. Gilbert, W. P. Roberts, A. R. Nash, Emory Gose, Frank Kerr, A. W. Walden, D. L. Kerr, W. B. Splawn.

Greenwood delegates: T. E. Cannon, Tom Batt, C. T. Parrish, Albert Mauldin, Fred Williamson, Geo. Splawn, Jim Wilhite, T. E. Vick, John Ellis, J. I. Davis, N. Best, Bud Wallis, Ed Dogg, Charlie Perry, B. F. Manire, W. C. Montgomery, — Quisenberry. Slidell delegates: Ben Pior, J. P. Turner, W. J. Bryant, D. Y. Stem.

Notice of Assignment.

On the 23rd day of January, 1914, the undersigned, whose residence and postoffice address is Decatur, Texas, was appointed assignee of the estate of S. L. and O. L. Phillips, of Alvord, Texas, and has accepted and qualified as such under the laws of this state, governing assignments for the benefit of creditors.

All claims of creditors accepting under said assignment, should file their claims, properly verified, with me within six months next succeeding this notice. C. C. HENDERSON.

Henry Howell Dead.

Henry Howell, formerly of this place, died at his home in Clinton, Okla., on Thursday of last week. The remains were brought to Decatur Friday, and interment occurred Saturday. Mr. Howell was a young man and had only been married six months at the time of his death.

The Messenger County Correspondence

GREENWOOD.

Sunday afternoon Miss May Wheelock and Mr. Frank Brownfield were married, Rev. Wallace performing the ceremony. These young people have a host of friends who wish them health, wealth and happiness.

Fred Milligan returned Sunday from Kansas.

Bryson Williamson is reported better.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dodge, Sunday, a daughter.

Mrs. Fred Milligan entertained with a miscellaneous shower Tuesday afternoon, complimentary to Miss Wheelock who was married to Frank Brownfield. Numerous beautiful presents were received by the honoree and a most enjoyable time was had by all those attending.

Bert Milligan was home for a few days visit from Dallas.

Mrs. H. Caddell of Childress is visiting here.

The C. E. T. club met with Miss Ripple Frazer. After two hours work a dainty two course luncheon was served to the following, Misses Grace Woods, Lou Hester, Bernice Splawn, Mattie Olement, Ida Stone, Mde. Brown, Best, Peery, Milligan, Watson, Caddell, Milligan, Manire, Nesbitt. The club meets next Saturday with Miss Lou Hester.

LONE STAR

Revs. G. W. Tyson and J. W. Bailey preached here Sunday and Sunday night.

The new church is moving on nicely with preaching every third Sunday. Sunday school every Sunday morning and prayer meeting each Sunday night.

The farmers are busy sewing oats and breaking land.

The health of the community is very good.

The good rain Wednesday night was much appreciated.

The Friendly Spirit.

Following are resolutions of Rhome Lodge No. 43, I. O. O. F.

On the third day of February this year Rhome Lodge No. 43 I. O. O. F. entertained the Odd Fellows association. One of the most pleasant features of the day was the beautiful and appropriate music furnished by the Boyd band.

The members of this lodge are keenly appreciative of the friendly and neighborly spirit that prompted them to come and help us entertain our guests. We thank you for your thoughtfulness and out of the fullness of our hearts we ask, why can't towns and communities show friendship for each other, as well as individuals? This band is a Wise county product composed of home boys; it needs and ought to have the support of Wise county citizens. We liked the music and the men who made it.

To the good women of our community we want to say that, never before have you been kinder to us than on that occasion. Your faithful help and sincere hospitality was appreciated by our visitors and doubly appreciated by this lodge.

C. A. BRAMMER,
B. W. LOGAN,
Committee.

Good Rain Here.

A splendid rain fell throughout this section Tuesday night and Wednesday morning, doing great benefit to the wheat and grass lands. One of the most prosperous years in the history of the county is freely predicted by all, farmers and business men.

See the play at college tonight.

CRAFTON

Feb. 17.—With fine weather, the farmers are well along with their work.

There was a greater acreage of oats sowed in this community than for many years, but the cold weather has killed a big per cent of it. It will be resowed.

Mr. Higgs from Tennessee, father of Frank and Albert, is visiting here. Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Richie on Feb. 10, a girl.

Ebert Chipman made a business trip to Jacksboro Monday.

J. E. Boyd of Decatur, was in town Tuesday.

A Mr. Harris from Bowie, has bought the W. T. Thorne stock of goods.

Mrs. Ben Oliver of Alex, Okla., who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Suggs, returned Cal Ash from the plains country, is here visiting old time friends.

The county road gang is doing some good work on all the roads leading east from town.

Forward Movement

The Forward Movement in the Oak Grove community is growing in interest. The citizens began the movement some time since by meeting and discussing the needs of the community, following a program of speeches, music, etc. Meeting in the church last Tuesday night Rev. Ward, pastor of the Baptist church in Decatur, Rev. Carter, pastor on the Decatur circuit, and Frank Ford, an attorney of this place, were on the program and made splendid speeches which were heard and appreciated by a large crowd.

Mrs. Simpson Dead.

Mrs. M. E. Simpson, aged 67 years, died Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ike Killough, in the south part of town. Funeral services were held at the Bethel cemetery, where the interment took place in the presence of a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives. Mrs. Simpson was one of the good, old time citizens of Wise county, and her splendid life of noble deeds will be green in the memories of her friends and live in the thoughts of her relatives for years and years after the body has returned to dust. The world is better for such ladies having lived in it. The Messenger extends sympathy to the relatives and friends of this departed relative and friend.

Smith--Brown

Mr. Marvin M. Smith and Miss Bertie Brown were married last Sunday in this city, Rev. M. B. Johnson officiating. Mr. Smith is the son of County Treasurer R. D. Smith, and is an employe of the Greer Cash Store. He is a young man of ability and sturdy habits. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Brown, a charming little lady of splendid disposition. These young people have a host of friends who join us in congratulation.

An Old Subscriber.

Bob Faulkner, gunman in the cotton season and farmer the year round, came in Wednesday and squared himself with the Messenger by paying up and telling us to "send it on." With the pioneer paper and the Dallas News, Bob keeps constantly in touch with the affairs of town, county and state. He has been a regular subscriber of the Messenger for a number of years and has been an old stand by of the great Dallas daily for some time. Peace, plenty and prosperity abide with Bob.

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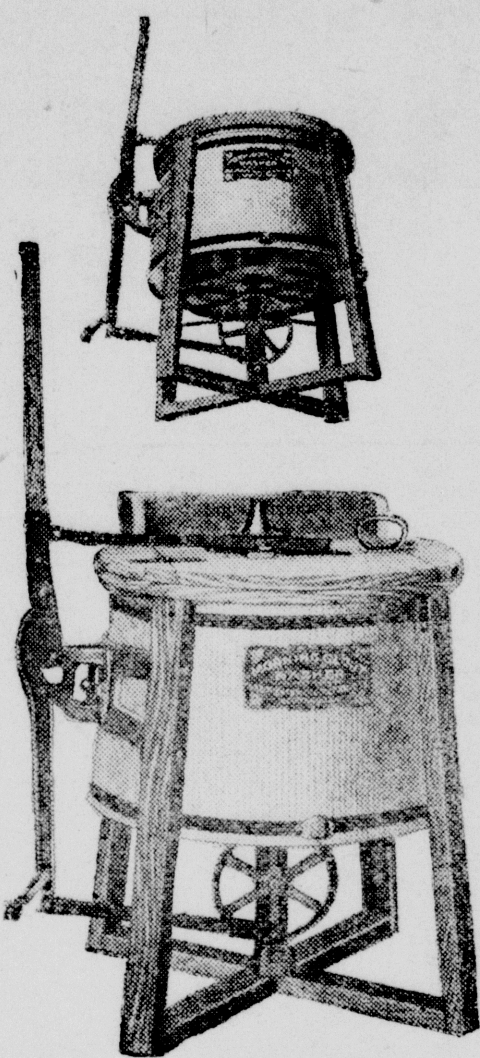
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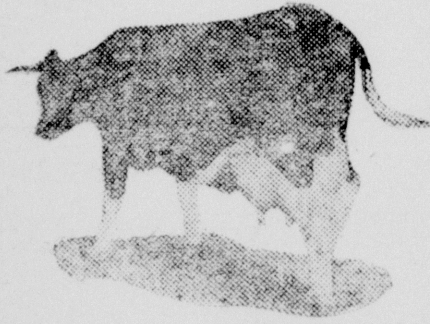


Lillard & Co

POINTS THAT DENOTE A GOOD DAIRY COW

For the man who must buy cows it is difficult, even after years of experience and with a thorough knowledge of the good points of a prime milker, to pick the good ones every time without some sort of what you might call "personal acquaintance" with the beast, writes a correspondent of the Farm Journal.

We all know that form goes with function in large degree, and unless the owner is willing to sell the cow on a guarantee or you have a chance to see her milked once or twice the only way to judge of her qualities and consequently her value is to look her over critically from the standpoint of the



A dairy cow of fine promise is the pure bred Holstein here pictured. She comes from a family of great milk producers and is named Lindenwood Nudine Johanna. At the age of one year, ten months and seventeen days this cow produced 2650 pounds of butter in seven years, a great record for a senior yearling. Her owner is G. W. Rising of Fayette, O. As the photograph shows, she is a well formed animal of the dairy type, with an udder of exceptional development for so young a cow.

judge who assumes that points of outward appearance indicate the inward characteristics.

Here are the main points in a good milker from the point of view of a stranger, who must use his eyes solely: Head small and clean cut; muzzle large; forehead straight or concave; neck long and thin, but not scrawny; horns somewhat small; eyes bright and prominent; shoulders thin; loin broad, but not thickly fleshed, as in beef cattle; thighs thin; hind quarters long, deep and strong; flank high; legs short and wide apart; tail long, slim and loosely jointed; frame markedly wedge shaped from all directions; udder set broadly, high up behind, square and high up on abdomen, not loose, pendulous or fleshy; milk veins large and prominent; chest deep and with well sprung ribs; belly large and deep; teats medium sized, evenly placed and wide apart. A fleshy udder, fine to touch when empty and retaining the size and form after milking, indicates a tendency to inflammatory troubles. The skin should be clean and thin, free from the ribs and with a fresh color; hair fine, thick and short; temperament active and docile; large

The main points in selecting good dairy cows are the large, well balanced udders, that are not fleshy; the large, roomy bodies, showing in the first case an ample laboratory for the formation of milk and in the latter case a capacity for taking care of large amounts of feed.

Such are not always profitable cows, but they usually are. Cows are seldom profitable that give less than 250 pounds of butter in twelve months.

Age of Cattle.

The calf when born has two pairs of incisors; the other two pairs appear during the first month, says Professor G. E. Morton of the Colorado experiment station. When a calf is eighteen months old it loses the middle pair of milk incisors and grows a permanent pair. The next pair, one on each side, is replaced at twenty-seven months of age, the third pair at thirty-six months of age, the fourth or outside pair at forty-five months. The time of appearance of these incisors varies within rather narrow limits, so that we are able to tell the age of young cattle fairly accurately. The calf also has a temporary set of molars which are later replaced with permanent ones, but they are not considered in estimating the age of the animal.

Spoiling Calves' Udders.

A common bad result of sucking among calves is spoiling of udders later on from garget and similar troubles, says Dr. A. S. Alexander. Milk fed calves confined to a pen often learn the vicious habit of sucking one another's udders. Where this takes place it almost invariably happens that the udder will in time secrete milk, and such milk sours, clots and leads to garget (inflammation of the udder or mammitis or mastitis). This will be news to many a man who has not been a close observer, but we know it to be a fact.

Cholera a Filth Disease.

If it were not for hog cholera pork raisers would be living in the lap of luxury. The time will come when there will be no more excuse for hog cholera than for the human cholera, that until a century or so ago periodically devastated Europe and America. Both are essentially filth diseases.

Warm the Frosty Bits.

These are the days when the humane driver always warms the bridle before he harnesses his horse. A little warm water should always be poured over the bit before it is placed in the horse's mouth.

Rubber armored battleships? Paid for with elastic currency, of course.—Boston Herald.

British battleships are to be rubber plated. Idea, perhaps, is that enemy's shot will bounce back and kill 'em.—New York American.

Rubber plates for warships will not meet the approval of the motorist who has been educated to the belief that there is not enough material on hand to meet the demand for automobile tires.—Washington Star.

Phantom Hounds.

Conan Doyle's "Hound of the Baskervilles," a "fearsome animal," is said to have its origin in the legends of packs of spectral hounds which are popular in various parts of England and Wales. In the north of England these apparitions are known as "Gabriel's hounds," in Devon the "Wisk," "Yest" or "Heath hounds," in Wales "Cron Annwn" or "Cwn Wybir" and in Cornwall the "Devil's Dandy dogs." They are supposed to be evil spirits hunting the souls of the dead. Generally they are only heard and seem to be passing swiftly along in the air, as they usually choose cloudy nights for the pursuit of their prey. Their yelping is said to be terrific, resembling the note of a bloodhound. All of which tends to show that the origin of these legends of goblin hounds is to be found in the terrifying noises made by flocks of wild geese.

An Arabian Feast.

In a description of an Arab feast in honor of a visiting dignitary the North African News gives the following as the "main features" of the meal, which is spoken of as having been "a regal repast."

"A sheep roasted whole and filled with pistachio nuts; the national 'couscous,' the dish both of rich and poor, served up with roast chicken and ornamented with a wreath of hard boiled eggs cut in slices. Then 'chikouka,' composed of capscums, tomatoes and eggs beaten up with oil and lemon juice; cakes spread with butter and honey; artichokes dressed like Spanish onions, but prepared with the pistils of bean flowers; cakes of semolina, kneaded with dates, and pastry of various kinds seasoned with sugar and the essence of rose and jasmine."

Value of the Echo.

In one region not far from Detroit there is an echo which makes loud tones heard so clearly that persons living on either side of the depression where the echo works have learned to subdue their voices so that the echo may not be aroused—and so that not every one within a quarter mile may hear all they may say. This makes for quietness and peace in the neighborhood. This in turn affects the dispositions of the persons affected; and thus, you see, the echo becomes a blessing for which many a family and many a neighborhood would gladly and liberally pay.—Exchange.

Walking Backward.

A very difficult walking feat was accomplished in England in 1826, when a well known pedestrian named Lloyd undertook for a bet to walk thirty miles backward in nine hours. This he succeeded in doing, with fourteen minutes to spare, on the road between Bagshot and Portsmouth.

Books.

Books are not made for furniture, but there is nothing else that so beautifully furnishes a house. * * * Give us a house furnished with books rather than furniture.—Henry Ward Beecher.

For reliability—The pioneer paper.

PROHIBITION UP AS A BIG ISSUE

Plans of Temperance Advocates
Stir Congress Leaders.

GREAT WAVE IS NATIONAL

Referendum to States For Constitutional Amendment Is Expected—Nine States Already Dry and Four More May Get Into Column This Year. Eighteen Are Half Dry.

Washington.—The spread of prohibition sentiment in the United States in the past year has made a deep impression on leaders in congress. The events of that period when viewed in the light of the ambitious program that the temperance advocates have set for themselves in the immediate future are causing much serious thinking and some anxiety on the part of members of congress who look beyond their noses.

In fact, many of the leaders in the national legislature believe that they already see the prohibition question looming as a national issue. They fear the time is near when a constitutional amendment providing for national prohibition will be submitted by congress to a referendum of the states.

Such an amendment is now pending in both the house and the senate, and the promotion of it through congress is the accomplishment toward which all the anti-liquor forces are looking most hopefully. By many of the clearest of the crusade leaders doubt is expressed whether the time is yet ripe for pushing the constitutional amendment resolution, or whether it would be better to continue to strengthen the



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SENATOR W. M. KENYON, A LEADING ADVOCATE OF PROHIBITION.

foundations of the measure by bringing additional states more definitely into the prohibition column.

But that the test eventually will come in congress and that the national legislators will be subjected to pressure such as they have seldom if ever experienced is the growing conviction in Washington.

The fear is expressed by leaders of both parties that when the test does finally come congress will do as it did in two important instances last year when called on to pass upon the liquor question—disregard its own convictions and vote to appease public clamor.

It has long been a matter of comment in Washington that the only way in which temperance legislation can be prevented in congress is by holding the bills in committee and by keeping them from the floor of the house or senate. When the average member of congress is face to face with the liquor question and a delegation of temperance advocates he may drink like a fish himself, but he will promptly record his vote in favor of the dregs.

That at least was the history of the two most important developments of the past year in congress. The passage of the Jones-Works excise law for the District of Columbia and the enactment of the Webb-Kenyon law to prohibit the shipment of liquor into prohibition territory for sale were regarded by the temperance crusaders as red letter events on their last year's calendar.

They were elated not only over what the laws might accomplish, but over the way in which their enactment demonstrated the hold of the anti upon the national legislature.

The ease with which the passage of these laws was obtained has also left its impression on congress. Few members dared to oppose the measures in the open, and both went through by overwhelming votes, the Webb-Kenyon bill over the veto of President Taft. The opposition was confined chiefly to the committee rooms, but when the bills were pushed into the open members lined up quickly in favor of them. They believed this was the part of political wisdom.

As the result of the passage of the Jones-Works bill the city of Washington now finds itself on Sundays as dry as a burnt bone. A club member cannot even get a drink in his own clubhouse on Sunday.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Wise County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. O. Hoard and S. M. Sale by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of district court of Wise county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in May, 1914, the same being the 25th day of May, 1914, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 19th day of March, 1913, in a suit, numbered on the probate docket of said court No. 3832, wherein M. G. Shaw and W. A. Shaw are plaintiffs and J. O. Hoard and S. M. Sale are defendants, and the nature of the demand set out in said petition being a suit in trespass to try title and to be quieted in the title and possession of the following tract of land: Being 76 acres out of the A. J. Walker survey in Wise county, Texas, beginning at a point in said Walker survey, being 197 vrs. north and 179 vrs. west of the southwest corner of a tract sold to J. C. Davis; thence south 364 vrs. to corner on north line of a tract owned by R. E. Carswell; thence south 62 1-2 degrees west 88 vrs. to the east line of the right of way of the Fort Worth & Denver City railway, same being the northwest corner of said R. E. Carswell's tract; thence with said right of way north 39 degrees west 1250 vrs.; thence north 20 degrees west 38 vrs.; thence south 83 degrees east 879 vrs. to the place of beginning.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Decatur, this 15th day of Jan. 1914. LORY D. WHITE, Clerk, District Court, Wise County. (2-13)

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Wise County—Greeting:

G. M. Keller, guardian of the estate of Travilla Keller, a minor, having filed in our county court his final account of the condition of the estate of said Travilla Keller, a minor, numbered 1309 on the probate docket of Wise county, together with an application to be discharged from said guardianship.

You are hereby commanded, that by publication of this writ for twenty days in the Wise Countyessenger, a newspaper printed in the county of Wise, you give due notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on or before the April term 1914, of said county court, commencing and to be held at the court house of said county in the city of Decatur on the 6th day of April, 1914, when said account and application will be acted upon by said court.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at my office in the city of Decatur, Texas, this 27th day of Jan., 1914. J. P. WILLIAMS, S. Clerk County Court, Wise County.

A true copy, I certify: SA FAITH, Sheriff. (2-13)

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The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Wise County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Walter Jones by making publication of this citation once a week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Wise county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in May, 1914, the same being the 25th day of May, 1914, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of February, 1914, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 3830, wherein Pink Jones is plaintiff, and Walter Jones is defendant, the nature of the demand set out in said petition being a suit for divorce upon the grounds of abandonment for a period of more than three years.

Plaintiff prays that upon final hearing hereof, she have judgment for divorce and the care, custody and control of her three children, to-wit: Tommy Jones, a boy 8 years of age; Walter Jones, a girl 6 years of age; Cecil Jones, a boy age three years, and for cost of suit, etc.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Decatur, this 9th day of Feb., 1914. LORY D. WHITE, Clerk, District Court, Wise County. (3-6)

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Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Wise County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Mike Jay by making publication of this citation once a week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Wise county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in May, 1914, the same being the 25th day of May, 1914, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of February, 1914, in a suit, numbered on the probate docket of said court No. 3829, wherein Pink Jones is plaintiff, and Mike Jay is defendant, and the nature of the demand set out in said petition being a suit for divorce upon the grounds of abandonment for a period of more than three years.

Plaintiff prays that upon final hearing hereof, she have judgment for divorce and the care, custody and control of her three children, to-wit: Tommy Jones, a boy 8 years of age; Walter Jones, a girl 6 years of age; Cecil Jones, a boy age three years, and for cost of suit, etc.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Decatur, this 9th day of Feb., 1914. LORY D. WHITE, Clerk, District Court, Wise County. (3-6)

BAPTIST RALLY HERE FEB. 24-25

Preachers, Laymen and
Ladies Have Separate
Programms

On Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 24th and 25th, there will be held in Decatur a Baptist preachers' and laymen's meeting, at which time representatives will be present from Archer, Baylor, Clay, Denton, Jack, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Wilbarger and Wichita counties. Tuesday will be preachers' day, while Wednesday's program will be carried out by the laymen. The ladies of the district will also have a special session on Tuesday, Feb. 24th. Splendid programs have been arranged for all these meetings and the sessions will doubtless prove beneficial.

The railroads have given reduced rates for the meeting, and large attendance is expected. Free entertainment is to be given all visitors while in the city. Below we give the programs of the several sessions to be held.

PREACHERS' DAY Tuesday

10 a. m.—Prayer Service—W. C. Garrett, Electra.
10:15 a. m.—Invocation, the Call of the Hour—C. McDonald, Chillicothe; J. C. Clement, Oklahoma; E. J. Thompson, Roanoke, T. L. Bowles, Decatur.
11:15 a. m.—Text—"For we are God's fellow workers." Revised Version—Pastor Griffin, Quanah.
1:30 p. m.—Pastor and His Local and Ministerial Obligations in Ministry—R. E. Bell, Bowie; W. O. Dean, Mineral Wells; W. B. Holland, Decatur.
2 p. m.—General Discussion—W. B. Holland, Decatur; Chas. A. W. B. Holland, Decatur; A. L. Ingram, Powell; R. Gaines, Era; B. Lewis, Weatherford; P. M. Murphree, Weatherford; F. A. White, Weatherford; W. W. NeSmith, Boyd; W. W. NeSmith, Boyd.
3 p. m.—The Work of the Association and Without Its Own Walls—Joe Talley, Gainesville.
4 p. m.—General Discussion—W. B. Holland, Decatur; A. B. Miller, Decatur; E. Newton, Tolbert; C. H. Weatherford; N. B. Harrison, Decatur; J. L. Roach, Olney; E. O. Bell, Chico.
5 p. m.—My Field and what it means—Once Awakened and Pointed Talks by the Missions.
6 p. m.—McKenzie, Archer County Association; O. Baylor County Association; H. Neely, Clay County Association; H. Fitzgerald, Denton County Association; K. Hicks, Jack County Association; W. L. Ayers, Montague Association; J. W. Birdwell, Palo Pinto Association; R. B. Cox, Parker County Association; W. H. Ingle, Red Fork Association; T. E. Smith, Shiloh Association; L. A. Foster, Wilbarger Association; T. E. Cannedy, Wichita County Association; Joe R. Mays, Young County Association.

7:30 p. m.—Special music under direction of Decatur Baptist college music faculty.
8 p. m.—God's Purpose in the Creation of a Soul—M. E. Hudson, Decatur.
9 p. m.—General Discussion—Welch, Jacksboro; W. A. Weatherford.
10 p. m.—General Discussion—Welch, Jacksboro; W. A. Weatherford.

LAYMEN'S DAY Wednesday

10 a. m.—Ten minutes talks the student body at the college, two preachers and two laymen—George M. Parker, Burk Burnett; J. P. Goodman, Quanah; W. O. Dean, Decatur; R. S. Morris, Archer City.
11 a. m.—A Word of Welcome—Mrs. Sho, Decatur.
11:30 a. m.—Laymen of twenty years ago—Now—W. H. Davidson, Decatur.
12 p. m.—General Discussion—

J. J. Lory, Wichita Falls; A. W. Melton, Bellevue; W. H. Coffield, Bowie; J. H. Leggett, Denton; H. F. Hawkins, Chico; T. C. Watkins, Quanah.
10:50 a. m.—The Bible a Guide in Financing the Kingdom—J. N. Rayzor, Decatur.
11:10 a. m.—General Discussion—W. L. Robertson, Wichita Falls; A. E. Thomas, Bowie; W. C. Dickson, Garza; W. N. Stokes, Vernon; E. V. O'Neal, Jacksboro; Don Humphries, Krum; J. A. R. Rhodes, Aubrey; J. P. Turner, Slidell; O. L. Clark, Burk Burnett; Sid Webb, Bellevue; J. E. Curtsinger, Sanger; J. A. Gilliland, Vernon.
1:30 p. m.—The Christian School, an Essential Factor in Christian Education—W. C. Carver, Decatur.
2:00 p. m.—General Discussion—P. C. Funk, Bridgeport; S. E. Humphries, Valley View; L. E. Robbins, Quanah; Lewis Rogers, Gainesville; T. E. Sherrod, Denton.
3 p. m.—Decatur Baptist College and What We Should Do for It—R. E. Bell, Bowie.
3:20 p. m.—General Discussion—R. E. Taylor, Henrietta; R. E. Huff, Wichita Falls; J. E. Neel, Boyd; J. P. Goodman, Quanah; R. S. Morrison, Archer City; R. F. Arnold, Graham.
4:30 p. m.—My Special Work for the Lord—L. H. Lawler, Wichita Falls; R. L. Waldrop, Crowell; Cyrus Coleman, Henrietta; G. I. Stephens, Henrietta.
7:30 p. m.—The Layman as a Pivotal Man in Denominational Crisis—M. H. Wolfe, Dallas.
8 p. m.—How to Enlist Our Laymen—General Discussion—L. W. Parrish, Henrietta; W. B. Clement, Denton; H. D. Hockersmith, Vernon.

NOTE: As a token of our appreciation of the faithful services of our associational missionaries in this district and being very desirous to have them with us in this meeting, the brethren in Decatur have arranged to pay the railroad expenses of each of them both ways.

ed to pay the railroad expenses of big things are being undertaken and accomplished. It is up to the Baptist of the North Texas District to get together, get informed and get busy. Come to stay both days. Free entertainment for all.

R. E. TAYLOR,
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Committee.

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It Deadens the Brain and Weakens the Body. Nature Needs Real and Harmless Aid to Overcome It.

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Program of Baptist Women Mass Meeting, Feb. 24th

2:00 p. m.—Devotional Service by Mrs. F. A. Whitely, Nocona.
2:15 p. m.—The Cottage Home of Decatur Baptist College, by Miss Bessie Carver.
2:30 p. m.—General Discussion, by Mrs. S. M. Covington, Alvord, Mrs. J. W. Ferguson, Burk Burnett, Mrs. W. L. Ayers, Bowie, Mrs. A. B. Womack, Iowa Park, Mrs. A. E. Thomas, Bowie, Mrs. D. Y. Lunn, Montague, Mrs. W. B. Holland, Henrietta, Mrs. Laura Foster, Nocona, Mrs. Sam Sullivan, Denton, Mrs. Anna Nance, Sanger, Mrs. R. E. Taylor, Henrietta, Mrs. F. A. Whitely, Nocona.
3:15 p. m.—The Work of Our Women as Fostered by the B. W. M. W's. of Texas By Mrs. Addie F. Beddoe, of Dallas.
3:45 p. m.—General Discussion, Mrs. I. A. Farris, Wichita Falls, Mrs. P. C. Funk, Bridgeport, Mrs. H. A. Fairchilds, Wichita Falls, Mrs. T. P. Reynolds, Weatherford, Mrs. J. E. Neel, Boyd, Mrs. W. L. Daniels, Electra, Mrs. T. L. McGee, Burk Burnett, Mrs. Ben Holley, Weatherford, Mrs. W. L. Robertson, Wichita Falls, Miss Sallie Wilson, Valley View, Mrs. Orion Procter, Bridgeport, Mrs. Sidney Webb, Bellevue, Mrs. W. H. Coffield, Bowie, Mrs. R. E. Bell, Bowie.
4:15 p. m.—Business Meeting of Women of Wise County, led by Mrs. Wm. Reeves, of Fort Worth.
Note: This meeting is called in the interest of the work being done and the work needed to be done by our women in this territory. It is to be hoped that we will have a large attendance and that the information and inspiration received on this occasion will put new life into our women's work everywhere.

DECATUR AS IT IS AND AS IT CAN BE

President Carver of Baptist
College Tells These
Timely Truths

After a residence of more than a dozen years I may be pardoned for writing a word concerning a town whose citizenship I have enjoyed and whose privileges and blessings it has been mine to share.

These words are written partly on my own initiative and partly at the suggestion of others. I shall not attempt to give any of the history of Decatur, its origin, its life as a frontier town nor subsequent growth. That does not lie within the purpose of this article.

You will permit me to say also, that it is not my purpose in whatever may be said to advertise the town after the fashion of so-called "land agents" for commercial, or any other reason. But it is simply to tell the truth concerning the municipality in which our denomination has seen fit to locate a christian school, thereby making it a center for the forces of said denomination in this district.

Many years have elapsed since the founding of this school during which time many of those engaged in the founding of the same have either died or moved to other parts, their places being taken by others who have not had opportunity to acquaint themselves with the environment of their institution. That people owning and fostering an institution both by money and patronage have a right to know of the sum total of those forces that go in to make up its environment; hence this article on what Decatur is and what it can be.

Population, Topography and Geography

I have not the official count before me but it is safe to say that with the rapid numerical increase within the last two years that we are now well beyond the two thousand mark and are still growing. I have no condemnation to pass upon people and denominations who locate seats of learning in great commercial centers, nor would I count it folly in some instances to build a college in a village. But the truth is, neither of these, an ideal place for training of the young. The city with its many problems of civic, commercial and industrial life, with its many attractions in home, street and public halls, with its multiplied temptations of dives and dens, is thereby disqualified to take interest in life, learning and expression of college endeavor. Neither can there be under such conditions a wholesome atmosphere for the formation of character. The village is lacking in concentrated and concentrated social life conducive to the best development of a social institution. Neither is it able to support it by its gifts and patronage, nor yet is it able to provide those necessary concomitants in the way of churches, business establishments and police regulations.

The small growing progressive town, minus the aforesaid things of the city and plus the aforesaid things of the village, is the most ideal spot on earth for a college. Decatur is such a town and in proof of its response to the need of the college, we recite to our denomination the fact that it has given \$25,000 with which we have erected a commodious hall for boys and upon the basis of which gift we are now appealing to the denomination for \$50,000 more with which to complete the equipment of the institution.

Decatur, with an elevation of more than 1,000 feet, is located on a hill from which may be gotten a view that rivals that of the Vanderbilt home, in distance, if not in grandeur and beauty. Situated on the dividing line of prairie and timber, black land and sandy, having the advantages of both, with neither mud nor sand and with natural drainage, Decatur is conceded by all who have seen it to be a charm to the eye of an educator. I would not attempt to interpret all the movements of Providence but may it not be that He who chose Jerusalem within which to put his name, also chose this place for the location of a college to bear his name.

Geographically, Decatur is located in north Texas, on the Fort Worth and Denver, forty miles northwest of Fort Worth. This location insures a medium climate, free from the extremes of cold and heat, wet and dry, a climate suitable to the students coming from the mountains of the northwest, valleys and timbers of the east, the prairies and plains of the south and the arid regions of the west.

Advocations, Professions, Callings

It is a real joy to speak of these vocations as represented in Decatur. I shall not mention the name of any business man or firm. For to mention one might appear as a discrimination against another and to mention all will make this article too long. Suffice it to say that the business interests of Decatur are worthy of commendation. I doubt if we could find stronger firms in any city of similar size with commodities more nearly meeting the needs of the people. And not only that, but these business interests are manned by men of high ideals and altruistic vision seeking to serve not only themselves, but also their customers and treat most courteously institutions located in their midst. I take this opportunity of stating to those abroad that the business men of Decatur are most generous in their dealings with Decatur college, both as an institution and as individuals, faculty and students.

In observing the legal counsel of this little city for more than twelve years I unhesitatingly state that never in a lifetime have I seen it matched not even in a city of twice its size. As to physicians, we have those ripe in years and broad in experience and those fresh from the lecture rooms of our best medical institutions and to take it all in all, I count ourselves blest in the proficiency of those whose duty and delight it is to minister to the suffering bodies. As to those called to proclaim the word of all denominations represented here, it is my joy to express the highest appreciation. Having associated somewhat extensively with preachers I can conscientiously write that the preachers occupying the pulpits of this town are the superiors of many serving even in the larger cities. As the location insures a happy climate environment so these men of various advocations create a wholesome, personal environment for the growth of personality.

Civics, Ethics and Social Democracy

These are large words but they have applications to us as well as to others and pertain to the enactment of right, civil and municipal laws and proper enforcement of same, to moral standard and social intercourse. Is Decatur a law enforcing town? Has it a high moral standard? Is its social life democracy? To those questions in general we may answer yes. It being understood that here as elsewhere, there are exceptions and qualifications. The right enforcement of law is absolutely necessary to the material as well as to the moral and spiritual progress of any town. If we indulge citizens in the violation of civil law they are certain to have but little regard for moral law. And nothing is more disreputable to any town, city or country than for it to be said the laws are not enforced therein. And while we believe that we should always be anxious to improve in such enforcement yet is our candid opinion that in the main law are enforced in Decatur far beyond that of the average. And after visiting cities and towns which have no civil pride or conscience, we come back to our own little city and feel like it is almost ideal.

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In New Quarters...

Fullingim & Ford have moved their stock of Drugs, Sundries, etc., to the Bullock Building, northwest corner of block, opposite First State Bank, where the friends and patrons of this popular drug store will find the best and purest of stocks

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Friday, Feb. 20, 1914.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflections upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Messenger will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publishers.

The Fast Line is coming.

McNealus, for years the anti's big champion in the state legislature, has joined the pro forces.

Senator Gore was trapped by the fascinating Mrs. Bond in that Washington hotel, but the woman's work was too "raw" for an Oklahoma jury.

The Fort Worth Record is authority for the statement that Comptroller Lane would refuse to be eliminated at the Fort Worth meeting tomorrow. The Record was radically wrong.

After serving three and one-half years as governor, Mr. Colquitt has only recently learned that the state's educational and agricultural interests are in need of repairs.

The Katy is to extend its line from McKinney to Denton. The Katy people will build on to Bridgeport, if Decatur and the Coal Town will get busy. What do you say?

There is considerable opposition in some quarters to married ladies teaching in public schools. Wonder if this opposition can come from a childless school trustee?

Hon. Tom J. McMurray will lead the pro forces in Wonderful Wise in the coming contest for a bigger governor for Texas. Mr. McMurray was elected county chairman at the big Ball rally Saturday.

It is a long call from a black-face medicine show comedian under flickering coal oil jets to Tetrizini and Mary Garden, but some peoples' tastes can clear the gap with the ease of a circus tumbler. "How we apples do swim."

The Messenger would suggest Hon. L. D. Ratliff as a member of the next high school board of trustees. Members of school boards should have representation in the schools, so the new law will hold, and this popular attorney is qualified.

Some anti's have the unmitigated gall and brazen effrontery to say they prefer Tom Ball as the opposing candidate to their flag carrier. Buncombe! They know the Houston man is dangerous to their peace; they were hoping the pros would nominate a weakling.

Delightful Decatur's delegation to the Fort Worth convention tomorrow will be headed by stalwarts in the great cause, and they will lend some telling assistance in the work of stifling the growing ambitions of certain little fly-up the creek politicians.

Thomas Ball will be the standard bearer of the pros. That is sure. Then watch the anti's rap the Houston man. Ball, as a lawyer, represents the Frisco railroad interests, and this will be pictured in a bad light by the boys on the other side of the bar.

The great national corn exposition is now on in Dallas, and it is the duty of every man in this section to attend this big entertainment. It is worth your time and what you will learn there will be of value to the conduct of your business affairs years after the corn show is no more.

Villa is marching on Torreón. If the federals in that town are wise and value their hides, they will come over to the rebel chief, swear allegiance to his cause and proceed with him to the Mexican capital. It is no crime for a federal greaser to switch "fronts" in the land of tamalas and smuck cigarettes.

Peter Radford and Mr. Lewis, the directing heads of the state farmers' union, are busy these days, busy as busy bees, in their efforts to assist the liquor interests to win in the coming contest. Brothers Peter and Lewis are advising the farmers to have nothing to do with the movement to rid the state of bar-rooms and their attending evils. The gentlemen's work is too coarse; the members of the great organization will stand for good government.

Our friend, Judge McKinney, after reading Mr. Peter Radford and Mr. Lewis on "eliminating the farmer from participating in the coming prohibition election," is of the opinion that the gentlemen heading the great farmers' union order are singing in the wrong choir. Mr. Peter and Mr. Lewis should suspend operations in the farmers' cause and come out openly in favor of the Belton ex-sheriff for governor, is the way the premier publication of Wonderful Wise view the matter.

Alf Fullingim is right when he says that eighty per cent of the members of the farmers' union in wise county are prohibitionists and will take part in the gubernatorial contest — even against the advice of Lewis and Radford. The farmers of Texas are too intelligent to be humbugged by any such instruction as Lewis and Radford are handing out. Our farmers are interested more than any other class of citizenship in the elimination of the rum demon, and they will be the great force that will place Tom Ball in the governor's chair.

THE HOUSEWIFE.

She worked so hard, the long, long day, at putting mislaid things away, at sweeping all the floors and stairs and shaking rugs, and dusting chairs, and cleansing grease marks from the doors, and forty thousand other chores. And when her husband came at night, his cottage was a cheering sight. But he, like many of his kind, though having two good eyes, was blind; he never gave a glance or thought to all the things his wife had wrought. He stretched himself upon two chairs, and talked about his selfish cares. She wanted just a word of praise, and he discussed his evil days; she wanted just a little smile, and he observed that times were vile. She wanted bread and got a stone, and bowed her head to weep alone. A man may lug a lot of gems, and velvet gowns with silver heels, and all such doo-dads, to his wife, and then not brighten up her life one half as much as he might do if he would give, at times, a few kind words that do not cost a yen, but make her heart grow young again. — Walt Mason.

SOME POSTSCRIPTS

Lead pencil manufacture in the United States is consuming 73,000,000 feet of lumber annually, of which about one-half is estimated to be wasted in sharpening or throwing away short ends.

Semi-official estimates made in India of the world's production of rubber for several years to come indicate a constant increase, passing 200,000 tons in 1919, but never equaling the demand.

A new automobile jack is featured by leather pads on the jaws to prevent the varnish on a car being marred and by gearing that makes it lift a car three inches each time the handle is pressed.

Because of the danger of explosion Hamburg forbids manufacturers to keep much wool waste on hand unless they have special buildings for it, requiring them to keep it in a municipal storehouse.

Unfinished Task in China

The unfinished task in China is still a gigantic one. What plea could be more eloquent in brevity and pathos than the fact that there are still in China one thousand five hundred and fifty-seven cities without missionaries.

When the China Inland Mission was founded in 1864 there were only fifteen Protestant mission stations in China with about 2,000 converts. To day that mission alone has 205 stations, and 769 substations. Every province of the empire has its mission with a total of 2,027 native church organizations and 177,724 Protestant church members.

And in addition to the areas unreached there are the Moslems, numbering millions. It is said that the Moslem population of China is certainly equal to the entire population of Algeria or Scotland or Ireland; that it is in all probability equal to that of Morocco and numbers not less than the total population of Persia. One writer has said: "Within China

THE CANDIDATES.

For Local Representative
FRENCH SPENCER
For County Judge
W D PASCHALL
J W WALKER
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For Treasurer
R D SMITH
E W LITRELL
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W A SMITH
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W M WORKMAN
W R RILEY
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W S GILBERT
BEN PIOR
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WILL SHULTS
M W BURCH
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B F ROE
For Tax Collector
ED F. VANCE
MARK MARSHALL
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For County Clerk
J E BOYD
W O BARNETT
BEDFORD C DAVIS
JOHN L YOUNG
For District Clerk
LORY D. WHITE
For Com Precs 1 and 6
W B SPLAWN
T L ST. CLAIR
For Public Weigher
J M TRUSSELL
For Justice of Peace, Prec. 1
BOB HOPSON
For City Marshal
C C LEWIS
S B GIBSON

there is a special people, equal in number to the population of any of China's dependencies, for whom practically nothing is being done, and whose presence hitherto has been almost ignored."

THE MOTHER'S STRATAGEM.
[An infant playing near a precipice.]

While on the cliff with calm delight she kneels.
And the blue vales a thousand joys recall,
See, to the last, last verge her infant steals!
Oh, fly—yet stir not, speak not lest it fall.
Far better taught, she lays her bosom bare,
And the fond boy springs back to nestle there.
—From the Greek of Leonidas of Alexandria, by Samuel Rogers.

Poll Tax Receipts Issued, 1913

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CHEERFULNESS.

Courtesy is itself a form of service. By gentleness of manner, by an unobtrusive sympathy, by thoughtfulness for others in little things, we may smooth the roughness of life for those with whom we live, soothe their vexation and contribute more to their real happiness than by great and signal acts of generosity.—R. W. Dale.

Every man should keep a fair sized cemetery in which to bury the faults of his friends.—Henry Ward Beecher.

The good work of the world is done either in pure and unvarnished instinct of duty, or else, and better, it is cheerful and helpful doing of what the hand finds to do, in surety that at the evening time whatsoever is right the master will give.—Ruskin.

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"Time works wonders," quoted the sage.
"That's because it is always on the job," returned the fool.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Astronomers and golfers are alike, so it appears—
At any rate both meditate
The motion of the spheres.
—San Francisco Chronicle.

"How is your Shakespearean club getting on?"
"Splendidly. We learned two new steps last week."—Life.

They go into the church unwed,
And married they come out.
And this is why, it has been said,
The sex is so devout. —Puck.

Jack—My mother paid \$9 for this coat.
Jill—My mother has a charge account. She never pays for anything.—Collier's Weekly

There was a young man named Snider,
Whose hobby was hard apple cider.
He called on his dame,
But stuttered her name.
And dared not sit down beside her.
Spokane Spokesman-Review.

"I see that one of the ladies says geniuses never ought to marry."
"I suppose she is married or doesn't know a genius who would be likely to ask her anyhow." — Chicago Record Herald.

We couldn't get along without the active human brain.
But save us, kindly providence, from people who explain. —Dallas News.

Tommy—Papa, a river is fed by small streams, isn't it?
Papa—Yes, my son.
Tommy—Then I s'pose that is what makes its mouth water.—Exchange.

He has a greasy, oily way.
Our saponaceous host.
He rose and gave what I should call
A buttered toast. —Judge.

"You looked very foolish when you proposed to me."
"Well, Henrietta," replied Mr. Meekton, "maybe I was."—Washington Star.

Some houses have a family ghost,
And other houses have a host.
This gives the latter, says a wit,
A shade or two the best of it.
—Kansas City Journal.

"You can't split hairs in that argument."
"Why not?"
"Because it is over bald facts."—Baltimore American.

A maiden who wore a cork limb
Wrote the maker, and she said to him,
"I sure have to laugh
When I look at this caugh,
For, compared to the real one, it's a limb."

A silent place this world will be,
We'll speak but once a week,
If at some time we all agree
To think before we speak.
—Exchange.

"You said you would make papa come to terms."
"I did, and they were the vilest any one ever applied to me."—London Mail

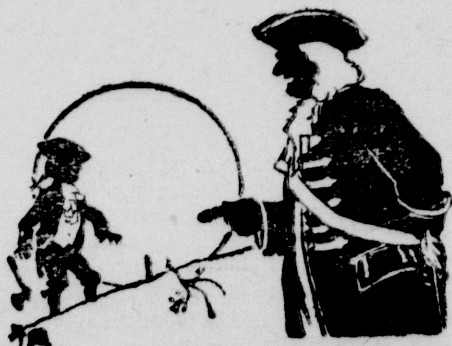
Should you attain to knowledge great
A certain sadness will befall;
You can't get any one to wait
And listen while you tell it all.
—Washington Star.

Mrs. Newgold—Genevieve, Albertine, you are not playing that duet together.
One of you is a bar ahead of the other.
Genevieve (proudly)—Well, I was the one ahead, anyway!—Puck.

When you count up the worries that enter some lives
Do not stop
Till you add in the husbands who go with their wives
When they shop.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Are you familiar with the Mexican situation?"
"Only up to 8 o'clock this morning."
—Detroit Free Press.

"Let us fly," said the ardent lover bold
To his fairest fascinator.
Not that he feared her father's wrath,
But that he was an aviator.
—Baltimore American.



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DENVER SCHEDULE

SOUTH BOUND		NORTH BOUND	
No. 8-5:06 a.m.	No. 3-9:38 a.m.	No. 1-11:20 a.m.	No. 7-1:15 p.m.
No. 2-4:43 p.m.	No. 4-3:22 p.m.		

News of Town and County

LIGHT CRUST.

Dr. Wilkerson and family of Chico, were Decatur visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Tucker on Saturday took charge of the City hotel.

John E. McLean of Fort Worth, preached at the Presbyterian church last Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Russell on Feb. 8, a son.

V. E. Baldridge and family of Chico, were in Decatur Tuesday.

J. L. Tinsley was here Monday from Boonesville.

E. E. Hamilton of Boyd, was a pleasant caller Monday.

Wallace Nash of Dallas, was here this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Renshaw on Saturday, Feb. 14, a son.

Get in the road and try Carnation bread in the genuine short loaves, at City Bakery.

Edgar Renshaw was here Sunday from Justin. He opened his barber shop in that town last Monday.

Mrs. L. H. Reeves visited in Fort Worth Tuesday.

Mrs. Walter B. Man is on a visit to relatives and friends in Mansfield and Midlothian.

Ed Reynolds was here from Bowie this week, visiting his sister, Mrs. Lem Hoyt.

250 school desks, stoves, blackboards, teachers' desks and chairs for sale. See H. W. BARTON or HAROLD McCARTER.

Quite a number of Decatur boys were visitors in Alvord Sunday.

Mrs. Jewel Gibbon of Amarillo, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Ed Gibbon.

Prof. and Mrs. Jas. St. Clair of Ft. Worth, were Decatur visitors Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Irwin St. Clair of Mineral Wells, is the guest of the family of T. L. St. Clair.

Miss Clara St. Clair of Clay county, was the guest of homefolks Sunday.

When ordering flour from your grocer, just specify "Pride of Texas."

Some of the windows for the Methodist church have arrived and have been placed.

Will Terrell left Saturday for St. Louis, where he will purchase goods for the Lillard Mississippi store.

Dick Holly was here this week, delivering trees and shrubbery to local citizens. Dick is making good as a tree salesman.

W. O. Bailey and wife and Miss Florence Bellah left Saturday for Chicago and St. Louis, where they go to purchase new spring goods for Bellah & Sons' store.

Rev. B. F. Hall was a Fort Worth visitor this week.

Mrs. Will Beard of Fort Worth, has been visiting here.

Editor L. W. Tyler is reported rapidly improving from his recent illness.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Zack Lillard was buried Tuesday.

Attorney Mack Burch was here from Rhame Saturday.

Elmer Clark was down from Vernon this week making preparation to move his family to that place.

S. M. Gose, T. L. Ball and W. H. Bullock have been appointed as a board of equalization by the city council.

Miss Willie Lee Bryan will leave in a few day days for her home in New Mexico. She has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Julia Tiley.

Some weeks ago the Messenger stated that the son of Mr. and Mrs. May Burton of Slidell, died as the result of an operation. Death was the result of jaundice, and while a slight operation was made it added nothing to the serious condition of the child. We make this correction in justice to the physicians in attendance.

John A. Simmons was in Fort Worth on business this week in connection with his oil well interests in Louisiana. It is reported that the Simmons brothers, Judge Tom, Dr. Chas. B. and John, have been offered a neat profit on their Louisiana holdings.

Dr. Moss, father of our townsman and good citizen, Daniel Jackson, is here this week visiting his son and family. Dr. Moss has recently moved from Louisiana to Mineral Wells. He belongs to the old time type of southern gentlemen, sung in song and told in story of the old south. Dr. Moss has for many years been a prosperous physician and planter in Louisiana.

A Messenger reporter and Hon. French Spencer visited the Harry Halsell home Monday afternoon. This is one of the most substantial homes in Wise county and in a short time Mr. Halsell will have one of the best stock farms to be found in this section. There are 1,200 acres under fence in this tract, the residence is modern in every detail and the barns and out houses are the kind one would like to see on every farm in Wise county. In other words, Mr. Halsell and his interesting family are prepared to live in comfort.

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FOR SALE-Second-hand sewing machine. DR. S. J. PETTY.

350 second-hand school desks for sale. See H. W. BARTON, Decatur, Tex., or McCarter's Grocery.

FOR SALE-Second-hand cook stove, wood or coal. BOB CLARK.

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Card of Thanks

To those of Decatur and Bridgeport who were so kind to us with aid and sympathy in the sad bereavement of the loss of our dear mother, we wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude, assuring you that such kindness will never be forgotten. Especially do we wish to thank the Decatur and Bridgeport telephone exchanges for their excellent services.

WILL SIMPSON
MR. AND MRS. IKE KILLOUGH
MRS. ELLA MCKINLEY

Judge E. M. Allison this week received a handsome National cash register for his new store, which will be open for business about the 15th of March.

The Majestic pictures will entertain you. Five nights each week.

FINANCIAL FACTS

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Farmer Finds Valuables near Decatur

He says: "I found a large, clean. No. 1 Stock of Fruit Trees, Vines, Shrubs, Roses, Evergreens, Shade Trees and Green House Plants. There is nothing shoddy in all this immense stock, and Mr. Spencer says he is going to sell everything at almost HALF PRICE from now until March 1, and invites you to come and see for yourself. He will appreciate your patronage."

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John Spencer, Mgr.

Decatur, Texas

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson VIII.—First Quarter, For Feb. 22, 1914.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, Luke xii, 1-12. Memory Verses, 8, 9.—Golden Text, Luke xii, 8.—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

He had in our last lesson spoken of the Pharisees as not only having a mere outward religion, but also of being one with their ancestors in persecuting and killing the prophets, and He had accused the lawyers of not only refusing the truth themselves, but of keeping it from others. Now He says to His disciples, "Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy." As matters were consummating and the crisis approaching, He was speaking more pointedly concerning some things.

All the wrong will be manifest in due time, and the right will prevail, so that it is wise to live always in the sight of the Lord and seek in all things His approval (1 Cor. iv, 3; 11 Tim. ii, 15). He had said on a previous occasion, "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees and of Herod," but they were so dull that they thought that He referred to literal bread and not to false doctrine (Matt. xvi, 6-11; Mark viii, 15).

There is more need than ever to beware of false teachers and teaching, for formalism and rationalism and worldliness are ever increasing. The Pharisee was all for form and outward show, even though professing to believe some things. The Sadducee had no use for anything supernatural, while Herod, though somewhat religious, preferred the sinful pleasures of this world (Acts xxiii, 8; Mark vi, 20).

There is no place in the Bible where heaven ever signifies anything good. In Lev. vii, 13; xxiii, 17, where heaven was commanded to be offered, it represented sin in us and in our service, as is explained in Amos iv, 5, margin. In the parable in Matt. xiii, 33, it refers to the corruption of the food given in the churches in this age of "the mysteries of the kingdom," which is set forth in the parables of the sower, the tares, the mustard tree and the leaven. We are rapidly approaching the time of the oven and the burning.

If we receive the word of God simply and heartily we shall know something of the hatred of the religious world (John xvii, 14), even unto persecution and death (Rev. i, 9; ii, 10; xii, 17), but our Lord teaches us that the death of the body is not a serious matter if we are truly His, for it will mean for the believer real gain and something very far better than remaining here (Phil. i, 21, 23). Therefore we are not to fear it (verses 4, 7; Matt. x, 28). He who cares for sparrows will surely care for His own redeemed ones, so that we may be as brave as Daniel's friends if we have faith in God. The unsaved have every reason to fear death, for to them it will mean the torment of Luke xvi, 22, and finally the lake of fire (Rev. xxi, 14, 15).

A true child of God is one who, seeing himself to be a sinner, has pleaded guilty and cast himself upon the mercy of God in Christ, receiving Jesus Christ as his own personal Saviour, putting all his trust in the precious blood shed for him on Calvary. Thus one is able to say, "Being justified by faith, I have peace with God" (Rom. v, 1). None others are children of God, according to the Scriptures.

Now, while God needs no evidence of our sincerity in this apart from our faith, for He reads the heart, it is necessary that men should see some evidence of our faith, for they can only see faith as it is manifest in the lives and the works of believers, according to Eph. ii, 10; Tit. iii, 8; hence that other saying about confessing with the mouth the Lord Jesus and showing faith by works (Rom. x, 9, 10; Jas. ii, 24). There are those who walk in the outward life as Christians, but who mind earthly things and are the enemies of the cross of Christ. They profess that they know God, but in works they deny Him (Phil. iii, 18, 19; 1st. i, 10).

It is not for us to judge them or to say that they are or are not thus and so. He will see to that. But we may judge ourselves and consider well if our faith in Christ is real and our life corresponding in any measure thereto. That there is a possibility of being saved and yet unrewarded is plainly taught in 1 Cor. iii, 11-15.

The last verse of our lesson is a great comfort to those who are willing to confess with their mouth, as well as to such as may suddenly be placed in a difficult position. Nothing can take the place of reliance upon the Holy Spirit both as our teacher and our strength. I have in my mind along with verse 12 the comfort of Ex. iv, 2; Jer. i, 7-9; Prov. xxii, 18, and have loved the reality of this comfort more without number.

As to the sin against the Holy Spirit which hath no forgiveness, I understand it to be the persistent rejection of the voice of the Spirit until the heart becomes so hardened and the ears so dull of hearing that His voice heard no more. Those who fear that they have committed this sin are very ones who have no cause to fear it, for the very fact of their fears shows that the Spirit is still dealing with them.

Those who have committed this sin are hardened and rebellious, but Lewis are approaching the end, and have nothing to do with the movement to rid the state of barbarism and their attending evils. The element's work is too coarse; the members of the great organization stand for good government.

SHEPHERD AND FLOCK.

Be sure that the flock is not exposed to storms. Exposure means a poor ewe, a light fleece and a weak lamb.

Keep the sheep quarters well littered with dry straw. Scatter land plaster over the pen to absorb the ammonia and keep the odors down.

Ewes that are successful breeders should be kept as long as possible.

Do not let the sheep drink from a trough half full of ice. Give water regularly and keep the trough clean.

If you want strong lambs give the ewes wheat bran in the grain ration.

If a lamb is chilled dip it in water as hot as you can bear your hand in and wrap it in a warm blanket until it is dry.

"A little farm, well tilled," should contain a few sheep well taken care of.

KEEP EWES HEALTHY.

Bowels Must Be Looked After Before Lambs Begin to Come.

This is a critical time of the year as regards the health and welfare of the ewes, which soon will be dropping their lambs and indeed have commenced to lamb in some parts of the country, says Dr. A. S. Alexander in the Farm Journal.

It must now be the aim of the shepherd to counteract the tendency to constipation, which is shown by every animal well along in pregnancy. Plenty of fresh water should be supplied and bran and oilmeal added to the other ration, for corn, if used, does not open the bowels, nor does it lead to a full flow of milk at lambing time. Salt should be used for pregnant ewes in small quantities and not in the shape of salted hay.

When the lambs commence to arrive the ewes may be brought into a comfortable, sheltered place where there are a number of small pens in which to put each ewe in turn as soon as she drops her lambs. On taking her into the small pen she should be turned up and the locks of wool removed from her udder, so that the lambs will be able to suck without getting wool into their mouths. This done, the ewe may be left for awhile to lick her lambs dry, and when this has been done they should be assisted to stand and take their first drink, if weak, after which they will usually get along all right.

WINTERING THE HORSE.

Idle Animals Need Exercise and a Fair Amount of Feed.

The horse in winter should not be stall tied all day, but should have plenty of exercise. Turned into the well fenced paddock, the horse's exercise will take care of itself. He should be fed and watered at regular times. The feed need not be large. It is worse to fatten a horse than to underfeed him. Oats, corn and hay, an occasional bran mash and the horse should winter in excellent shape. The currying should not be forgotten. The proverb says that it is worth good oats to curry. When hitched in the cold they should be blanketed. Horses are susceptible to colds and pneumonia and veterinarian's bills, but they may all be prevented if the proper precautions are taken.

If one has work for his horses in winter, so much the better. The most common mistake is underfeeding them at this season and a consequent resumption of hard work in spring in ill conditions. It does not pay to have dull tools nor inefficient horses. One cannot afford to put up with either. Just exercise a little horse sense in feeding and caring for the horses this winter and see if it does not pay both in efficiency of the horses and satisfaction of the owner.

Relief For Itching Pigs.

Itchiness of the skin of pigs may be due to dirty bedding, to lice or to mange or eczema. On general principles spray and scrub the pigs with a 1-100 solution of coal tar dip and rub in sulphur on the worst spots while the skin is damp. Provide clean bedding. Let the pigs run out daily. Physic each pig and then give medicine for worms. A suitable treatment is to mix one dram of copperas in the slop for five consecutive days for each 100 pounds of body weight of pigs. Repeat the application of coal tar dip solution as often as found necessary.

Live Stock Profitable.

Live stock raising in connection with general farming conserves fertility elements and makes it possible to produce more food on a given area of land. Growing crops and breeding animals should be practiced on every farm of any considerable size if possible, as this kind of farming is surer as a general plan and it saves the farm for future crops.

The Ailing Cow.

Empty stomachs will make "hollow horn." If a cow's coat loses its gloss and is rough and staring give her from one-half to one pound of epsom salts, a cupful of molasses and a tablespoonful of ginger dissolved in a quart of water. Keep her warm and increase her feed, adding roots and linseed meal.

Tonic For Horses.

A handful of linseed meal fed to the horses about three times a week will aid to regulate the system, promote health and a glossy coat.

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In fact, everything found in a first-class yard is carried by this popular firm. The stock is not only the best, but the prices are right

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Their Queenly Way.

It matters not How fair her face Nor how bedight With silk and lace, A woman still Will trump an ace. —Detroit Free Press.

How It Is Done.

Owner—What'll it cost to repair this car of mine? Garage Proprietor—What ails it? Owner—I don't know. Garage Proprietor—Thirty-four dollars and sixty-five cents.—Puck.

Song of the Disconsolate Politician.

My passes, they tell me, are canceled; No more transportation that's free. I cannot be happy without them. Oh, hand back my passes to me! Hand back, hand back, Oh, hand back my passes to me! —Chicago Record-Herald.

Historic Souvenirs.

"Shakespeare once owned this chair." "I love old relics. Fine old chair, and here is a wad of chewing gum on its under edge. Now, Queen Elizabeth may have stuck that there."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Order of Beans.

This hash house slang I must abhor. It is a thing I hate. I asked for beans. The man yelled for "A thousand on a plate." —Kansas City Journal.

Proof.

"Charley has a fortune in politics. He knows the ropes," declared the admiring friend. "Yes; I judged that he did from the campaign cigar that he gave me."—Buffalo Express.

In Bowie.

Statements of Bowie Citizens Are Always of Interest to Our Readers.

To many of our readers the streets of Bowie are almost as familiar as those of our own town, and we are naturally interested to read of happenings there. The following report from a well known and respected resident will be helpful to numbers of men and women here in Decatur.

Mrs. M. Lain, farmer, Bowie, Texas, says: "The secretions from my kidneys were in bad shape and symptoms of dropsy developed. My body bloated and my feet and ankles were swollen. I was tired and weak and had backaches and lameness, which was worse when I stooped or did any housework. I used a box of Doan's Kidney Pills and they brought a quick and lasting cure. I haven't needed any kidney medicine since."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Lain had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

TEMPTATION.

The devil tempts us not. 'Tis we tempt him. Beckoning his skill with opportunity. —George Eliot.

Temptations hurt not, though they have access. Satan overcomes none but by willingness. —Herrick.

But Satan now is wiser than of yore And tempts by making rich, not making poor. —Pope.

Bell, book and candle shall not drive me back When gold and silver beckons me to come on. —Shakespeare.

Ah, me, how many perils doe unfold The righteous man to make him daily fall Were not that heavenly grace doth him uphold And steadfast truth acquite him out of all! —Spenser.

Colds

should be "nipped in the bud", for if allowed to run unchecked, serious results may follow. Numerous cases of consumption, pneumonia, and other fatal diseases, can be traced back to a cold. At the first sign of a cold, protect yourself by thoroughly cleansing your system with a few doses of

THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

the old reliable, vegetable liver powder.

Mr. Chas. A. Ragland, of Madison Heights, Va., says: "I have been using Thedford's Black-Draught for stomach troubles, indigestion, and colds, and find it to be the very best medicine I ever used. It makes an old man feel like a young one."

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Well Posted.

"Have you heard your wife lecture?" "I should say so," replied Mr. Meek-ton. "I want to say that I've heard Henrietta do a whole lot of lecturing that the public never got a chance to listen to."—Washington Star.

Ethel—I do hope Grace will marry Eugenically. Clara—Why? Edith—It will take a thoroughly sound boob to survive her cooking and piano playing.—New York Globe

The law forbids all lotteries. And games of chance, as said. Why isn't marriage then taboo? It comes under that head. —St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Bix—Most of those so called aigrets, they say, are only horsehair. Dix—Yes, "aigret" is merely their nom de plume.—Boston Transcript.

In talking of Miss Moneybags Jack hardly was discreet. He heard him can her dull, and so she cut him on the street. —Exchange.

English.

Today I eat. Yesterday I ate. Then today I beat. Yesterday I bate.

Today I see, saw. Yesterday I flee. Then today I flew. Yesterday I flew.

Today I sit. Yesterday I sat. Then today I hit. Yesterday I hat.

Today I do. Yesterday I did. Then today I woo. Yesterday I wid. —Chicago Record-Herald.

It Was No Time to Falter.

Patient—Doctor, can't you diagnose my case—can't you tell what is the matter with me? Doctor—Madame, I regret to inform you that I cannot. Nothing short of an autopsy will reveal that.

Patient—Then go right ahead with it, doctor, this is no time for me to display false modesty.—New York Sun

HOME TREATMENT FOUND EFFECTIVE

Tubercular Patients Improve
In Model Tenement.

RESULTS OF YEAR'S TESTS.

Twenty Families Successfully Treated
In Home Erected by Mrs. W. K.
Vanderbilt—Majority of Cases Cured.
Adult Patients Enabled to Earn
More After Health Is Restored.

New York.—Home treatment for tuberculosis in this city can be made as efficient as sanitarium treatment at a considerable reduction in expense, to say nothing of the great social gain by not having to break up family ties, according to a report made public by the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor. This conclusion is based on the association's experience in caring for a family-colony of consumptives in the East River Homes, popularly known as the Vanderbilt model tenements.

The experiment is to be continued with a doubled capacity in the belief that a further demonstration may lead New York and other cities to revolutionize their present methods of dealing with the great white plague.

The experiment has been in progress for a year. The colony was composed of twenty-seven families, seventy-nine members of which were tuberculous. They were installed in sanitary quarters, where they had ample sunshine and fresh air, good and abundant nourishment, freedom from undue work and worry and where there were



MRS. W. K. VANDERBILT, SR., OWNER OF
MODEL TENEMENT

reasonable segregation, skillful medical care and constant nursing supervision.

Eleven of the families, containing twenty-three tuberculous persons, twelve of whom were wage earners, were discharged during the year.

Six of the eleven families were rehabilitated physically, socially and economically.

The five other families of the eleven had to be dismissed from the colony because of persistent intemperance or refusal to follow advice. But their condition, it is stated, was improved in consequence of the treatment.

No new case of consumption developed after admission to the colony.

Of the adult patients 61 per cent apparently were cured, 22 per cent experienced an arresting of the disease and 11 per cent were much improved. In only four cases was there no progress. Three of the four were sent away for refusing to follow advice. The fourth case ended in death. The patient had been in an advanced stage when admitted.

Of the sixty-five children and sixteen infants eighteen were consumptive, twenty-three were suspicious cases and the rest had been exposed to the disease. Although practically all of the children were undeveloped when admitted, they all reached in six months their normal weight for age. The cost of the experiment for the year in this colony of twenty-seven families was \$20,217, as against \$28,446 which it would have cost to handle the sick members in institutions and the well members in homes, asylums or elsewhere.

FATHER MARRIED BY SON.

Mayor of Terre Haute Performs Ceremony For Elderly Parent.

Terre Haute, Ind.—Mayor Roberts performed the marriage ceremony for his father, Dr. W. H. Roberts, seventy-five years old, and Mrs. Zine, a widow seventy-one years old.

The mayor has been in office a month and during his election campaign was publicly denounced by his father as an ungrateful son, who caused his father to lose his fortune. The newly married bride is possessed of vast wealth.

FOUND GIANTS IN CHINA.

Baldheaded Women Too—Feet Bound
So Tight They Were Cut.

Washington.—Major F. M. Ashburn of the army medical corps has unearthed some strange things in China as a result of his studies of tropical diseases. He reports to the war department that he found three giants each about eight feet high. Two of them were gate keepers at a zoological garden, one of them apparently normal except for his great size, while, says the major, the other man had a harsh, resonant, deep bass voice, such as he had never heard before.

Many baldheaded women attracted the major's attention, and these women attempted to hide their baldness "by the use of black paint or stain, which merely looked dirty."

Major Ashburn discovered a strange predilection of the Chinese doctors for plasters and paste, and he declared "it is a rare Chinaman who does not have a plaster stuck on some part of his anatomy." Finally he discovered that the practice of foot binding to reduce the size was carried on by the Chinese women to such an excess as sometimes to necessitate the amputation of the feet.

CITY FOLKS IN THE WOODS.

Careless About Their Fires and Cause
Many Forest Blazes.

Washington.—City folks' carelessness causes many forest fires, according to a statement just submitted to the house agricultural committee by Henry S. Graves, government forester.

"In the summer time," said Mr. Graves, "the tourist and the camper from the city, unaccustomed to the woods, sets a good many fires from carelessness. We estimate that there are now using the national forests for recreation purposes upward of 1,500,000 people, and in some cases it is a very real problem with us—the guidance of the people—to keep them from setting fires carelessly. It is always due to carelessness."

MEXICANS ARE HAPPY IN REFUGEE CAMP

Plenty to Eat, Little Work and
Many Amusements.

Fort Bliss, Tex.—There are many situations more undesirable than that of a Mexican refugee enjoying American bounty at Fort Bliss. As a place where there is abundance to eat and a minimum of work, the camp has gained such a reputation locally that the American soldiers guarding the camp must be constantly on the lookout to prevent hungry Mexicans from crawling under or climbing over the wire fence surrounding the camp to join their more fortunate fellows within. It is only the Mexican officers who seem to feel humiliated by it and desire to escape, as half a dozen have.

Except in the matter of sanitation, personal cleanliness, etc., the Mexican officers and their men are permitted to do much as they please. And they have made themselves perfectly at home. A few hours after their arrival the women of the camp had prepared as cozy a home for the winter, from the Mexican point of view, as a soldier could desire. They had little to do beyond unloading their packs containing household effects, blankets and certain treasures they had managed to save. The government has furnished conical wall tents for houses, which to most of the soldiers is a luxury.

The women are the hardest workers in the camp, but they don't have to forage for food and fuel, as many of them have been doing for many months in northern Mexico. With a cheery fire to take the bite out of the north wind, and nothing to do most of the time but bask in the sun, the men, women and children in the camp are well content. Every one in the camp must take a bath at least twice a week. There are showers available so that those who care to may use them every day, but only a few take advantage of them. They have their cock fights, and there is no lack of music by the band of the remnant army, most of whose members managed to save their musical instruments from the rebels and from confiscation by the American troops.

POISON LABELS FOR LIQUOR.

Anti-saloon League Bill Would Compel
Use of Skull and Crossbones.

Albany.—If the New York Anti-saloon league has its way frequenters of saloons will be confronted with a ghastly array of skulls and crossbones as they let their gaze wander along the rows of bottles to select the tipples of their fancy.

According to William H. Anderson, state superintendent of the league, a bill will be introduced in the legislature to compel liquor dealers to have affixed to every bottle containing a beverage with 2 per cent of its weight made up of alcohol a label bearing the dread insignia adopted to distinguish deadly poisons.

Starts Growing Again at Thirty.

Aurora, Ill.—Hamilton Cherry, who was six feet nine inches in height, is dead at the age of seventy-three. He was of ordinary height until thirty years of age, when he began to grow. He came from a family of giants, every member being more than six feet four inches tall.

MANUEL FORFEITS CLAIM TO THRONE

American Girl's Husband Also
Barred From Crown.

NEW PRETENDER APPEARS.

King George of England Cuts Off
Ex-Ruler's Allowance—Manuel Carries Out the Wish of His Father-in-law, Who Feared Daughter Would Fall Into Hands of Mob.

London.—Ex-King Manuel of Portugal will in future be compelled to get along on his own resources, for King George, from whom he has received \$50,000 annually since his dethronement, has cut him off. At the same time the former ruler of Portugal loses the title of "king," so far as official England is concerned. This has also been ordered by King George as the outcome of Manuel's renunciation of his claims to the throne of Portugal forever in favor of the Braganzas.

The claim to the throne falls upon Dom Miguel of Braganza and under



Photo by American Press Association.
KING MANUEL

ordinary circumstances would devolve upon his son, Prince Miguel and his band of the former Anita Stewart, who would thereby receive the honorary title of "queen." In view of the fact that Prince Miguel has married a woman not of royal birth, his claim as pretender has been set aside in favor of his younger brother, who is now seven years old. Thus the hopes of Anita Stewart of becoming queen of Portugal are blasted forever.

This arrangement was adopted at a meeting of the Braganzas in Vienna and followed the announcement to all the courts of Europe that Manuel had renounced his claims to the throne upon his marriage to Princess Augustine of Hohenzollern at Sigmaringen. Manuel thereby carried out the wish of his father-in-law, who refused to give his daughter under any other conditions, as he feared that bloodshed would accompany any attempt on Manuel's part to regain his throne, and he did not wish his daughter to run the risk of falling into the hands of the mob.

In so doing Manuel cut himself off from the purse of King George, who only recently learned the facts. The official order depriving Manuel of his title in England stated that it was done on "account of the internal conditions in Portugal."

It is well known that Manuel, through his apathy in regard to regaining his throne, has lost the sympathy of King Alfonso of Spain and a host of royalists who would have been willing to follow his lead. These followers will now flock to the standard of the Braganzas. There is no reason to believe that the new pretenders to the throne of Portugal will take any decisive steps in the near future, as it is expected in many quarters that the republic of Portugal is nearing its end of its own accord.

Anita Stewart is the daughter of William Rhinelander Stewart and was married to Prince Miguel of Braganza on Sept. 15, 1909. Her mother, after her divorce, married the late John Henry Smith. Miguel was at the time of the Portuguese revolution spoken of as a substitute for Manuel.

SCHOOLS FAILURES.—HILL.

Inaccuracy and Impracticability Are
Chief Charges.

St. Paul.—"Our common and high schools are dismal failures. Accuracy is not taught in the schools, and accuracy is the main essential to success," said James J. Hill at the annual banquet of the Northwestern Yale Alumni association. Continuing he said:

"The time must come when public educational institutions must be more practical. My first public advice to all schools would be to simplify the curriculum by separating all 'facts that are so' from 'facts that are not so.'"

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Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Wise County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Philemon H. Petty, et als, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Wise county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in May, 1914, the same being the 25th day of May, 1914, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 24th day of December, 1913, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 3818, wherein Lee L. Russell and P. B. Saunders are plaintiffs and the unknown heirs of Philemon H. Petty, the unknown heirs of Gabriel Eagan, the unknown heirs of Mary J. Saunders, W. C. Saunders, the unknown heirs of W. C. Wedner, the unknown heirs of J. W. Wright, the unknown heirs of J. T. Isbell, Sylvester Taylor, the unknown heirs of W. B. Adair, the unknown heirs of W. B. Adair, Mrs. M. J. Adair, the unknown heirs of Mrs. M. J. Adair, W. B. Adair, the unknown heirs of W. B. Adair, M. E. Adair, joined herein pro forma by her husband, W. B. Adair, the unknown heirs of M. E. Adair, Will Adair, the unknown heirs of Will Adair, J. M. Nixon, the unknown heirs of J. M. Nixon, K. A. Nixon joined herein pro forma by her husband, J. M. Nixon, the unknown heirs of K. A. Nixon, William Spouse, the unknown heirs of William Spouse, the unknown heirs of F. A. Thompson, Lucy R. Thompson, Lucy R. Carter, the unknown heirs of Lucy R. Carter, Orion B. Munroe, the unknown heirs of Orion B. Munroe, David Entri-ken, Amanda F. S. Entri-ken joined herein pro forma by her husband, David Entri-ken, the unknown heirs of Amanda F. S. Entri-ken, I. D. Polk, the unknown heirs of I. D. Polk, the

unknown heirs of William Hunt, J. C. Carpenter, the unknown heirs of J. C. Carpenter, S. C. Scroggins, the unknown heirs of S. C. Scroggins, are defendants, the nature of the demand set out in said petition being a suit in trespass to try title to the following described lands: Plaintiffs allege that on Dec. 1, 1913, they were each the owners in fee simple and in possession of an undivided one half interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Being 7037 4-10 acres of land exclusive of the right of way of the Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Co., conveyed by D. Waggoner by deed recorded in Vol. 40, page 399 of the Wise county deed records, situated in Wise county, Texas, about 16 miles west of Decatur, Texas, and embracing 1832 6-10 acres out of the J. Fitzgerald survey; 468 3-10 acres out of the L. Howard survey; 307 3-10 acres out of the P. Rowland survey; 459 2-10 acres out of the R. Edwards survey; 646 8-10 acres out of the O. B. Munroe survey; 323 acres out of the G. Eagan survey; 783 acres out of the D. Moses survey; 892 4-10 acres out of the J. Grunder survey; 617 acres out of the R. Fisher survey; 196 acres out of the H. Robertson survey; 37 2-10 acres out of the D. W. Harrison 39-acre survey; the D. W. Harrison 160-acre survey; 171 acres out of the J. G. Collinsworth survey and 113 6-10 acres out of the G. W. Roper survey, which entire tract of 7037 4-10 acres of land exclusive said right of way is more particularly described in the deed from Edward Paul Waggoner and wife, Helen B. Waggoner, to Earl E. Baldrige, on record in book 78, at page 126 in the Wise county deed records, reference to which is here made for a complete description of said land; that on said day and year last aforesaid, defendants unlawfully entered upon and took possession of said lands and are setting up a pretended title thereto to the plaintiff's damage ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars. That plaintiffs are owners of said land because they, and those through and under whom they hold, have held peaceable, continuous, uninterrupted and exclusive adverse possession thereof under color of title from the state of Texas, for more than three years next before the filing of this suit; and further because plaintiffs, and those under whom they claim have had peaceable, continuous, uninterrupted and exclusive adverse

possession of said land, cultivating and enjoying same, and thereon due the county of Wise state of Texas, and claiming under deeds duly registered county, Texas, for more than ten years next preceding the filing of this suit; and further, because plaintiffs and those under whom they have had peaceable, continuous, exclusive and adverse possession said land, cultivating, using and enjoying same for more than ten years next preceding the commencement of this suit. Plaintiffs pray that this court, that they have judgment divesting defendants of and vest in plaintiffs whatever title defendants have in said land, for costs of and for such other relief as may be just and equitable.

Herein fail not, but have before court at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have obeyed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Decatur, this 31st day of December, 1913. LORY D. WHITE, Clerk District Court, Wise County.

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Everybody works but mother. She visits around all day. Goes to women's meetings. Takes in the matinee. Father toils and worries. He has a good time—nit. Everybody works at our house. But Ma—she's quit. We work at our shop. We stay home at night. So send us all your dirty clothes. They'll come back alright. We lessen all your worries. And do your clothes to. So send your clothes to. Dickson & Smith. If your ma has quit.

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